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SUBJECT: ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATIONS OF COATED FREE SHEET PAPER
REF: STATE 105641
¶1. Summary:
              This is in response to Reftel on subject of the USITC
antidumping investigation of coated free sheet paper from China,
Indonesia and Korea.
¶2. Industry-wide data, as available for coated free sheet paper:
Production quantity, metric tons (value million USD*)
       1,838,615 (USD 2,595)
2,487,998 (USD 2,579)
2004
2005
       2,481,121 (USD 2,532)
2006
2006 Jan - Jun 1,264,066 (USD 1,288)
2007 Jan - Mar 648,354 (USD 727)
Capacity (quantity)
n/a
Capacity utilization (%)
n/a
Home market shipments
n/a (except production - exports)
Exports quantity metric tons (value million USD*), all markets
       151,901 USD 170.367
2004
       159,671 USD 179.080
2005
       167,982 USD 187.227
2006 Jan - Jun 74,884 USD 70.989
2007 Jan - May 65,159 USD 83.045
Exports to US (quantity, value)
2004
      n/a n/a
2005
      n/a n/a
2006
       0
         0
2006 Jan - Jun 0
2007 Jan - Jun 0
Exports to other major markets
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Finished inventories

n/a

No information is available on projected changes in production, capacity or capacity utilization. No information was obtainable on intentions or projections for exports to US or other major markets. There is no indication of anti-dumping tariffs in place on exports of the product from Germany.

*Exchange rates for EUR - USD conversion:
US Federal Reserve Statistical Release (annual)

2007 1.3726 2006 1.2563 2005 1.2449 2004 1.2438

¶3. Individual Company Information

Overall, companies did not see an advantage in supplying the data requested in a dispute that does not involve them, the country where they produce, or any other aspect of their strategic interests. Therefore, responses have been very limited, and none of the companies completed the questionnaire.

Embassy Berlin and Consulates Hamburg, Munich and Frankfurt contacted companies in reftel regarding data on the product under investigation with the following results:

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Felix Schoeller Jr. Foto und Spezialpapiere GmbH & Co. KG (Osnabrueck)

The firm does not produce and does not plan to produce trade coated free sheet paper.

UPM Nordland Papier (Doerpen) No response.

Hahnemuhle FineArt GmbH (Dassel) No response.

Steinbeis Temming Papier GmbH & Co. (Glueckstadt) The firm does not produce free sheet paper.

Bruecher, Pappen- und Papierfabrik, Verpackungen GmbH (Bensheim) The firm does not produce coated free sheet paper.

Buettenpapierfabrik (Gmund)
The firm does not produce coated paper.

Cordier Spezialpapier GmbH (Schleipen) No response.

Felix Schoeller Jr. (Osnabrueck) No response.

Karl Kurz GmbH (Rosengarten-Tullau)
No response.

Koehler Kehl GmbH (Kehl) No response.

M-Real Zanders GmbH (Gohrsmuehle) No response.

Nordland Papier GmbH (Doerpen) No response.

Papierfabrik August Koehler AG (Baden)

No response.

No response.

Pappenfabrik Osternohe (Osternohe) The firm is no longer in business.

Papierfrabrik Rieger GmbH (Trostberg) No response.

Papierfabrik Salach GmbH (Salach) No response.

Papierfabrik Scheufelen (Lenningen) No response.

Papierfabrik Zerkall Renker & Sohne Gmbh (Huertgenwald) No response.

Papierfabrik Schoellershammer (Dueren) No response.

Sappi Alfeld AG (Alfeld)
The branch office forwarded the questionnaire received from USITC to

Sappi's head office at Sappi Alfeld Brussels S.A. to the attention of Marco Eikelen (email: Marco.Eikelen@sappi.com).

Steinbeis Temmin Papier GmbH (Glueckstadt)

StoraEnso Fine Paper (Uetersen) No response.